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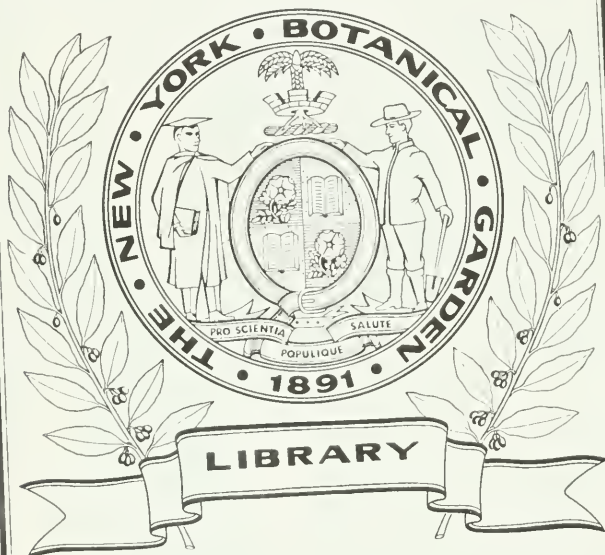
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THE results<sup>1</sup> of our exploration of Nova Scotia in 1920 were so gratifying that it seemed wise to continue the work, with Yarmouth as a center, during another season. Accordingly, Mr. Bayard Long and I devoted two months in 1921 to further investigation of the flora of western Nova Scotia. We were accompanied for all too short periods in July by Messrs. Edwin B. Bartram and Norman C. Fassett, and for a few days in September we had the active cooperation of Professor Horace G. Perry of Acadia University. The summer of 1920 had been abnormally wet, with the result that savannahs and lake-margins were often inaccessible or the characteristic plants of these habitats drowned or very tardy in development. In marked contrast, the summer of 1921 was phenomenally dry, in northwestern Nova Scotia to the point of extreme drouth; and the shores of undammed lakes were generally exposed, while small ponds had in some instances completely evaporated. We were consequently able to explore many places which were inaccessible in 1920, with the result that the ranges of a large proportion of the coastal plain types were extended and a good number of additions to our previous list of Nova Scotian plants discovered. Several regions, for example southwestern Lunenburg County, in the neighborhood of Bridgewater furnished days of thrilling botanizing and important discoveries, but they were all in general character so similar to our already described experiences of 1920, that they need not be related in detail. The itinerary of the summer, briefly stated, was as follows, the collecting being done by Mr. Long and myself unless otherwise stated.

July 13: Markland (Cape Forchu), Yarmouth Co., *Fernald, Bartram, Long & Fassett*.

July 14: Atwood Brook, Shelburne Co., *Bartram & Long*.  
Upper Wood's Harbor, Shelburne Co., *Fernald & Fassett*.

July 16: Brazil Lake, Yarmouth Co., *Bartram & Long*.  
Lake George, Yarmouth Co., *Fernald & Fassett*.

July 18: Annapolis Royal and Granville, Annapolis Co., *Fernald, Bartram, Long & Fassett*.

<sup>1</sup> RHODORA, xxiii. 89-111 (1921), 130-152 (1921), 153-171 (1921), 184-195 (1921), 223-245 (1922), 257-278 (1922), 284-300 (1922).

- July 19: Granville Center, Belle Isle, Lamb's Lake and Grand Lake, Annapolis Co., *Fernald, Bartram, Long & Fassett*.
- July 21: Tusket and Gavelton, Yarmouth Co., *Fernald, Bartram, Long & Fassett*.
- July 23: East Branch of the Tusket as far east as St. John (Wilson) Lake, Yarmouth Co., *Fernald, Bartram & Long*.
- July 25: Windsor, Hants Co., *Fernald, Bartram & Long*.
- July 26: Uniacke Lake and Five-Island Lake, Hants Co., *Fernald, Bartram & Long*.
- July 27: Truro, Colchester Co. and Shubenacadie Grand Lake, Halifax Co., *Fernald, Bartram & Long*.
- July 28: Darmouth and Arndale (Dutch Village), Halifax Co. *Fernald, Bartram & Long*.
- August 2: Welshtown (Birchtown) Lake, Shelburne Co.
- August 3: Roseway River, Shelburne Co., north to Jones Lake.
- August 4: Shelburne to Sable River, Shelburne Co.
- August 5: Harper Lake, Shelburne Co.
- August 8: Weymouth, Digby Co.
- August 9: Headwaters of Meteghan and Tusket Rivers, from Little Meteghan Lake to Wentworth Lake, Digby Co.
- August 10: Drainage of Sissiboo River, from Everitt Lake to Mistake Lake, Digby Co.
- August 12: West Branch of Tusket River, from Carleton to Parr Lake, Yarmouth Co.
- August 13: Gavelton (Butler's) and Vaughan (Tusket) Lakes, Yarmouth Co.
- August 15: Bridgewater, Lunenburg Co.
- August 16: Bridgewater, Hebb's Lake, Fancy L., Wallace L., etc., Lunenburg Co.
- August 17: Lahave River, north to Wentzell Lake; Mushamush River; Rhodes Corner; Blystner Lake; all in Lunenburg Co.
- August 18: Wile's (Oakhill) Lake, Feindel's L., and Rhodeniser L., Lunenburg Co.
- August 21: Yarmouth, Yarmouth Co.
- August 22: Markland (Cape Forchu), Yarmouth Bar and Overton, Yarmouth Co.
- August 23: East Branch of Tusket from Quinan to Canoe Lake, Yarmouth Co.
- August 25: Salmon (Greenville) Lake to Arcadia, Yarmouth Co.
- August 27: Shobel's Mt., Sandy Cove, Digby Co.
- August 28: Sandy Cove to Freeport, Digby Co.
- August 29: Lakes of Lequille and Liverpool Rivers, from Lamb Lake to Boot and Liverpool Head Lakes, Annapolis Co.
- August 30: Annapolis Royal, Annapolis Co.
- September 2: Sloane, Fanning, Skinner, Pearl and Crawley Lakes, Yarmouth Co., with *H. G. Perry*.
- September 4: Parr Lake, Yarmouth Co., and Cedar Lake, New Tusket, Digby Co., with *H. G. Perry*.
- September 5: Argyle Head to Belleville, Yarmouth Co., with *H. G. Perry*.
- September 7: Clyde River, from Port Clyde to Upper Clyde River, Shelburne Co.
- September 8: Harper, Western and Gold Lakes, Shelburne Co.
- September 9: Jordan River, from Jordan Falls to Lake John, Shelburne Co.
- September 10: Five-River (Morris) Lake and Bower's (Beaver Dam) Lake, Shelburne Co.

The more important range-extensions and observations of the summer are enumerated below; as in the previous enumeration the species new to Canada (37) are marked \*\*, the additional ones (25) new to Nova Scotia.\*

*WOODWARDIA VIRGINICA* (L.) Moore. Besides occurring as already reported, in Yarmouth and Queens Cos., the Chain Fern is characteristic of boggy shores and thickets northeastward through Digby Co. to Annapolis Co. (near Lamb's Lake; near Liverpool Head L.) It is frequent throughout Shelburne Co., sometimes, as at Harper Lake, reaching a height of 1.7 m.

*W. AREOLATA* (L.) Moore. Rather frequent in the Tusket Valley, north to Pearl Lake, Kemptville and east to St. John (Wilson) Lake; splendidly developed in the sandy alluvium and lake-margins of the Roseway River system, Shelburne Co., plants from near the head of McKay's Lake, Middle Ohio, measuring 7 dm. high.

*ATHYRIUM ACROSTICHOIDES* (Sw.) Diels. Rich woods on north Mt., Belle Isle, Annapolis Co.

*A. ANGUSTUM* (Willd.) Presl, var. *ELATIUS* (Link) Butters. Swampy woods on slopes above Lahave River, Bridgewater, Lunenburg Co.

*THELYPTERIS SIMULATA* (Dav.) Nieuwl. Reported from Yarmouth to Queens; but now known eastward to LUNENBURG Co.: knolls in boggy thicket by Wile's (Oakhill) Lake. Extending north in Yarmouth nad Shelburne Cos. to Kemptville and to Jones Lake, Roseway River.

*THELYPTERIS BOOTHII* (Tuckerm.) Nieuwl. At various stations in Shelburne and Lunenburg Cos.

*CYSTOPTERIS FRAGILIS* (L.) Bernh., var. *MACKAYI* Lawson. Local on the basaltic North Mt.: collected near Granville, Annapolis Co., and on Shobel's Mt., Sandy Cove, Digby Co.

*WOODSIA ILVENSIS* (L.) R. Br. Basaltic cliffs and ledges, Shofel's Mt., Sandy Cove, Digby Co.

*SCHIZAEA PUSILLA* Pursh. Additional stations indicate, with those already recorded, that the Curly Grass is to be expected in proper habitats in all acid areas in the province. Unrecorded stations are, for DIGBY Co.: forming a close turf with *Vaccinium Oxycoecus* and *Rhynchospora alba* at peaty border (many acres) of Tibert Lake, Freeport,—this, probably the most extensive station known for the species, within a few rods of the Bay of Fundy; wet sphagnous hollows in peaty savannah along The Brook, Central Grove. SHELBURNE Co.: depressions and knolls in sphagnous bog near Birchtown Brook; moist depressions in sandy *Corema*-heath and in wet sphagnous bog, Hope's Lot Barrens, Clyde River; wet mossy hollows in savannah east of Jordan Falls.

*LYCOPodium INUNDATUM* L., var. *BIGELOVII* Tuckerm. Reported as common in Yarmouth and Digby Cos. Abundant in Shelburne Co. and more locally in Lunenburg and Halifax Cos.

\**SELAGINELLA RUPESTRIS* (L.) Spring. Basalt ledges, summit of Shobel's Mt., Sandy Cove, Digby Co.

\**ISOETES MACROSPORA* Dur. Gravelly bottom of Clyde River, Middle Clyde.

*I. ECHINOSPORA* Dur., var. *BRAUNII* (Dur.) Engelm. Gravelly and muddy bottoms of brooks, West Branch of Tusket River, Havelock and New Tusket, Digby Co.

*PINUS STROBUS* L. The wind-swept and starved trees on the rocky barrens near Armdale, Halifax Co., have leaves only 2.5-5 cm. long and from a short distance away so strongly resemble *P. Banksiana* that such trees may have been the bases of unverified records of *P. Banksiana* from near Halifax.

*THUJA OCCIDENTALIS* L. As suggested in RHODORA, xxiii. 188 (1921), Cedar Lake, east of Corberrie, Digby Co., proves to have a characteristic growth of *Thuja* at its border.

*POTAMOGETON OAKESIANUS* Robbins. Probably common throughout the silicious areas; additional collections from Lunenburg and Hants Cos.

*P. PULCHER* Tuckerm. DIGBY Co.: quagmire-margin of Scars Lake, New Tusket (form with remarkably small and round emersed leaves). LUNENBURG Co.: brook-beds in peaty swale by Rhodeniser Lake, east of Bridgewater.

*P. AMPLIFOLIUS* Tuckerm. ANNAPOLIS Co.: shallow water of Young's Lake, North Mt., Belle Isle. DIGBY Co.: peaty cove in Little Meteghan Lake.

*P. CONFEROIDES* Reichenb. SHELBURNE Co.: Swanburg Lake, Shelburne; Five-River (Morris) Lake.

In bog-pools near Argyle Head, Yarmouth Co., *P. confervoides* had developed, in early September, many winter-buds and tubers. The plants, which had fruited in July and early August, were nearly disintegrated, but their extensively creeping, filiform rootstocks bore short branches terminated by reddish fusiform tubers, while the old axils of the stems and the tips of the disintegrating branches bore fusiform dark-green winter-buds 0.7-2 cm. long, their leaves spreading-ascending.

*P. DIMORPHUS* Raf. At several stations in Digby and Lunenburg Cos.

*SCHIEUCHZERIA PALUSTRIS* L. Quagmires of Shelburne Co.

\*\**ALISMA PLANTAGO-AQUATICA* L., var. *PARVIFLORA* (Pursh) Farwell, Ann. Rep. Comm. Parks & Boulev. Detroit, xi. 44 (1900). The small-flowered and -fruited southern extreme. HANTS Co.: Windsor.

*PANICUM DICHOTOMIFLORUM* Michx. SHELBURNE Co.: dryish sandy beaches of Harper and Welshtown (Birchtown) Lakes.

*P. VIRGATUM* L., var. *SPISSUM* Linder, *RHODORA*, xxiv. 15 (1922). Besides the stations recorded in *RHODORA*, xxiii. 192 (1921), the following indicate a wide distribution in the province. *YARMOUTH* Co.: Goven and Gilfilling Lakes. *SHELBURNE* Co.: Bower's (Beaver Dam) Lake; McKay's and Jones Lakes, Roseway River. *LUNENBURG* Co.: Wentzell Lake.

*P. DEPAUPERATUM* Muhl., var. *PSILOPHYLLUM* Fernald, *RHODORA*, xxiii. 193 (1921) and forma *CRYPTOSTACHIYS* Fernald, l. c. 194. Additional stations in Shelburne, Lunenburg and Halifax Cos.

*P. SPRETUM* Schultes. Additional stations are, for *ANNAPOLIS* Co.: Grand Lake and Liverpool Head Lake. *DIGBY* Co.: Journeay Lake, Weymouth. *YARMOUTH* Co.: Goven and Canoe Lakes. *SHELBURNE* Co.: Harper Lake. *LUNENBURG* Co.: Hebb's Lake, Bridgewater; mill-pond north of Blockhouse; Blystner and Rhodeniser Lakes.

\**P. MERIDIONALE* Ashe. *YARMOUTH* Co.: cobbly beach of Gavelton (Butler's) Lake, Gavelton; first station east of Massachusetts.

*P. LINDHEIMERI* Nash, var. *SEPTENTRIONALE* Fernald, *RHODORA*, xxiii. 227 (1922). *LUNENBURG* Co.: dry pine and oak woods on steep slopes along Lahave River, Bridgewater.

\**P. CLANDESTINUM* L. *YARMOUTH* Co.: rocky and gravelly thicket bordering Pearl Lake and dominant in thicket along Tusket (Kempt) River, Kemptville. *LUNENBURG* Co.: upper border of cobbly beach, Wentzell Lake. Heretofore unknown east of the Penobscot.

\**ORTZOPSIS PUNGENS* (Torr.) Hitchc. Characteristic of dry barrens of Shelburne and southwestern Lunenburg Cos.

*CALAMAGROSTIS PICKERINGII* Gray. Sandy and peaty barrens, eastward at least to Halifax Co.

*C. PICKERINGII*, var. *DEBILIS* (Kearney) Fernald & Wiegand. Similar habitats, more common.

*SPHENOPHOLIS PALLENS* (Spreng.) Scribn. Near Wentworth gypsum quarries, Windsor.

*SPARTINA ALTERNIFLORA* Loisel., var. *PILOSA* (Merr.) Fernald. Apparently frequent on salt marshes from Yarmouth Co. to Annapolis Co. and presumably beyond.

*PHRAGMITES COMMUNIS* Trin. *ANNAPOLIS* Co.: a large colony in the ditch and on the adjacent railroad bank bordering the salt marsh west of Annapolis Royal; most of the stolons subterranean, but some superficial and reaching a length of 7.6 m. (25 feet).

*DISTICHLIS SPICATA* (L.) Greene. Salt marshes, Yarmouth Co. to Annapolis Co.

\**POA SALTUENSIS* Fernald & Wiegand, var. *MICROLEPIS* Fernald & Wiegand, *RHODORA*, xx. 124 (1918). *ANNAPOLIS* Co.: brookside in mossy woods near Yoong's Lake, North Mt. Belle Isle.

*GLYCERIA OBTUSA* (Muhl.) Trin. Abundant eastward at least to Lunenburg Co.; extremely variable in stature, some colonies, in open



bogs, fruiting when only 1.5-2 dm. high (panicles 4-6 cm. long), others, as at the quaking margins of Harpers and Western Lakes in Shelburne Co., making dense stands 1.2-1.3 m. high (panicles 1.7-1.9 dm. long).

GLYCERIA LAXA Scribn. Eastward to Hants and Halifax Cos.

\*\*FESTUCA RUBRA L., var. MULTIFLORA (Hoffm.) Aschers. & Graebn. Roadsides, Dartmouth.

AGROPYRON CANINUM (L.) Beauv., forma GLAUCUM Pease & Moore. Crest of barrier beach, East Jordan, Shelburne Co.

\*A. CANINUM (L.) Beauv., var. TENERUM (Vasey) Pease & Moore, forma CILIATUM (Scribn. & Sm.) Pease & Moore, RHODORA, xii. 72 (1910). Thin open humus and basaltic talus, North Mt., Belle Isle (Annapolis); Shobel's Mt., Sandy Cove (Digby).

ELYMUS VIRGINICUS L., var. HIRSUTIGLUMIS (Scribn.) Hitchc. DIGBY Co.: wooded basaltic talus, Shobel's Mt., Sandy Cove.

CYPERUS DENTATUS Torr. Eastward at least to Lunenburg Co.; characteristic of sandy or gravelly shores.

ELEOCHARIS ROBBINSII Oakes. Widely distributed; new stations in Annapolis, Hants and Lunenburg Cos.

E. OLIVACEA Torr. Additional stations are as follows. YARMOUTH Co.: peaty quagmire-pools in sphagnous bog near railroad station, Argyle Head. LUNENBURG Co.: peaty quagmire-margin of Wallace Lake, Italy Cross.

\*E. NITIDA Fernald. Exsiccated roadside gutter, North Mt., Belle Isle, Annapolis Co.

The occurrence of this little plant on the basaltic North Mt. is interesting, since all its other stations (in Newfoundland, Quebec, and northern New Hampshire) are likewise on basic or more or less calcareous rock.

\*\*E. TUBERCULOSA (Michx.) R. & S. Wet sandy or peaty beach of Harper Lake, Shelburne Co.; the typical southern plant, heretofore unknown from east of Massachusetts.

SCIRPUS OLNEYI Gray. An additional station in Yarmouth Co. is at the border of a salt marsh along Argyle River.

\*\*S. CAMPESTRIS Britton, var. NOVAE-ANGLIAE (Britton) Fernald. Border of salt marsh, Jordan Falls, Shelburne Co.; heretofore unknown east of southern Maine.

RYNCHOSPORA FUSCA (L.) Ait. Common eastward at least to Lunenburg and Hants Cos.

R. CAPITELLATA (Michx.) Vahl. Common or at least frequent. New stations in Digby, Annapolis and Shelburne Cos.

R. CAPITELLATA, var. DISCUTIENS (Clarke) Blake. Additional stations are, for SHELBURNE Co.: wet peaty margin of Harper Lake; upper border of cobbly beach of Bower's (Beaver Dam) Lake.

LUNENBURG Co.; upper border of gravelly beach, Feindel's L., west of Bridgewater.

*CLADIUM MARISCOIDES* (Muhl.) Torr., forma *CONGESTUM* Fernald, RHODORA, xxiii. 234 (1922). Sphagnous boggy swale bordering Fancy Lake, near Conquerall, Lunenburg Co.

*CAREX STRAMINEA* Willd. See RHODORA, xxiii. 235 (1922). Somewhat general, though often in only small quantity, on borders of savannahs along East Branch of Tusket R., Yarmouth Co.

*C. BEBBII* Olney. HANTS Co.: dryish swales near Wentworth gypsum quarries, Windsor.

\**C. ADUSTA* Boott. A single plant left growing among disturbed rocks by roadside. Armdale (Dutch Village), Halifax Co.; presumably more abundant somewhere in the neighborhood.

*C. RSEA* Schkuhr. Damp thickets and clearings, North Mt., Granville, Annapolis Co.

\*\**C. muricata* L. Abundant in large stools, open pastured slopes near Wentworth gypsum quarries, Windsor.

\*\**C. LENTICULARIS* Michx., var. *BLAKEI* Dewey in Wood, Class Book, 755 (1861). Cobbly beach of Wentzell Lake, Lunenburg Co. Previously collected by J. R. Churchill at Ingonish, Cape Breton.

*C. SWANII* (Fernald) Mackenzie. *C. virescens*, var. *Swanii* Fernald. Occasional from Yarmouth Co. to Annapolis Co.

\*\**C. panicea* L., var. *microcarpa* Sonder in Koch, Syn. ed. 2: 879 (1844). Thin open humus by roadside on North Mt., Belle Isle, Annapolis Co.

*C. glauca* Murr. Reported by Macoun in 1888 from "dry clay banks on the railway cutting just outside of Windsor." Now a very abundant and variable species throughout the gypsiferous region about Windsor.

\**C. ANCEPS* Muhl. *C. laxiflora*, var. *patulifolia* (Dewey) Carey. ANNAPOLIS Co.: damp clearings and open rocky woods, North Mt., Granville; first authentic record from east of southern Maine, Macoun's earlier record being based on *C. leptoneuria* Fernald.

*C. CRYPTOLEPIS* Mackenzie. Somewhat local, Halifax and Lunenburg Cos.

*C. SCABRATA* Schwein. DIGBY Co.: rich thicket by brook, East Ferry.

*C. OLIGOSPERMA* Michx. Apparently general in the acid areas.

\*\**C. hirta* L. Abundantly naturalized on a sandy railroad bank, Annapolis Royal.

Although here recorded apparently for the first time from Canada, *C. hirta* was collected in 1912 in a pastured field at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Fernald & St. John, no. 7106.

*C. LUPULINA* Muhl. YARMOUTH Co.: swale by Ogden Lake. LUNENBURG Co.: by brook flowing into Caribou Lake.

C. MICHAUXIANA Boeckl. SHELBURNE Co.: boggy savannah along Tigney Brook, Sable River. HALIFAX Co.: sandy swale bordering Shubenacadie Grand Lake.

C. BULLATA Schkuhr, var. GREENEI (Boeckl.) Fernald. North-eastward to Annapolis Co. and east to Lunenburg Co.

XYRIS MONTANA Ries. Frequent eastward to Lunenburg Co.; sometimes, as at Wallace Lake, Italy Cross, reaching the phenomenal height of 4.2 dm. with heads 6-7 mm. in diameter.

*(To be continued.)*



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\*\**JUNCUS EFFUSUS* L., var. *CONGLOMERATUS* (L.) Engelm. See Fernald & Wiegand, *RHODORA*, xii. 85 (1910). Locally abundant in peaty soil, Shelburne. The old record from Nova Scotia was based on young and unidentifiable material.

*J. EFFUSUS*, var. *PYLAEI* (Laharpe) Fernald & Wiegand. HANTS Co.: swales near Uniacke Lake.

*J. SUBCAUDATUS* (Engelm.) Coville & Blake, var. *PLANISEPALUS* Fernald, *RHODORA*, xxiii. 241 (1922). Many new stations east to Hants and Halifax Cos.

*J. MILITARIS* Bigel. The commonest form of *J. militaris* has, as described by Bigelow, the "Culm . . . with a long sheath or two at base, and commonly another above the leaf. Leaf cylindrical, erect, . . . inserted below the middle of the culm, and exceeding it in height,"<sup>1</sup> and tradition, as recorded in the herbarium of the late T. O. Fuller, tells us that "Bigelow named this *militaris* because it reminded him of a soldier carrying his bayonet above his head." So general is this combination of characters, the very tall and erect leaf and above it the firm bladeless sheath, that they have been treated as diagnostic. Thus, in the *Pflanzenreich*, Buchenau distinguishes *J. militaris* from related species by "Folium frondosum unicum, ca. in medium caulem insertum, strictum, crassum, unitubulosum, pungens, usque 100 cm. longum,"<sup>2</sup> while the key-character used in the 7th edition of Gray's *Manual* is: "Upper cauline leaves

<sup>1</sup> Bigelow, Fl. Bost. ed. 2: 139 (1824).

<sup>2</sup> Buchenau in Engler, Pflanzenr. iv. pt. 36: 173 (1906).

bladeless (or essentially so), consisting of firm tawny or colored sheaths 2.5–5 cm. long," etc.<sup>1</sup>

On the border of Nowland Lake in Havelock, Digby County, Nova Scotia, occurs a plant with technical characters (perianths, seeds, etc.) of *Juncus militaris* but differing conspicuously from the typical form of the species in having two well developed cauline leaves, the upper with the sheath much less chartaceous than usual and terminated by a green blade two to four times its length; and in the large accumulation of material in the Gray Herbarium and the herbarium of the New England Botanical Club there are 2 similar specimens from Cape Cod and 1 from southern Connecticut. After finding the Nowland Lake plant with two frondose leaves, Mr. Long and I watched the species carefully, and, although discovering no more of the Nowland Lake form, found that there are occasional colonies with the ordinary submedian erect leaf but quite lacking the firm bladeless sheath above. Sometimes large colonies of this form are uniform, sometimes it occurs with typical *J. militaris*.

In the material at hand, 125 collections show the typical form of *J. militaris* with one long leaf-blade and above it a large colored bladeless or nearly bladeless sheath; 4 collections have two well developed leaves and 21 a single long leaf without the large bladeless sheath above. The latter form, occurring as it does often intermixed with the typical plant, is a minor variation but the other seems to be a well pronounced form and it will facilitate reference to both these extremes if they are designated

**\*\*J. MILITARIS** Bigel., forma **subnudus**, n. f., folio frondoso 1, folio secundo hypsophyllino nullo.—Occasional through the range of the typical form. TYPE: peaty border of a small pond, Upper Cornwall, Lunenburg Co., Nova Scotia, August 17, 1921, *Fernald & Long*, no. 23,627 (Gray Herb.).

**\*\*J. MILITARIS**, forma **bifrons**, n. f., foliis frondosis 2, folio hypsophyllino nullo.—Infrequent through the range of the species. NOVA SCOTIA: forming subcespitose clumps, sandy and gravelly beach of Nowland Lake, Havelock, August 9, 1921, *Fernald & Long*, no. 23,626 (TYPE in Gray Herb.), August 27 (*Pl. Exsicc. Gray.*). MASSACHUSETTS: shore of pond, Eastham, July 13, 1907, *F. S. Collins*, no. 297; Dennis Pond, Yarmouth, July 18, 1907, *E. W. Sinnott*. CONNECTICUT: West Pond, Guilford, August 15, 1912, *A. E. Blewitt*, no. 1270.

**J. NODOSUS** L. Swales near Wentworth gypsum quarries, Windsor.

**J. ACUMINATUS** Michx. New stations eastward to Annapolis and Lunenburg Cos.

<sup>1</sup> Robinson & Fernald in Gray, Man. ed. 7: 269 (1908).

*J. MARGINATUS* Rostk. New stations eastward to Annapolis and eastern Shelburne Cos.

*LOPHIOLA AMERICANA* (Pursh) Wood. *L. septentrionalis* Fernald, RHODORA, xxiii. 243 (1922). LUNENBURG Co.: sphagnum boggy swale bordering Fancy Lake, near Conquerall.

At this station the large, freely stoloniferous and subcespitose plants at the quaking margin of the lake are strikingly similar to the original *L. septentrionalis* from Digby Neck; but farther back, on drier knolls, the plants are small, with solitary stems, short pedicels and denser lanate tomentum, quite like the typical plant of New Jersey. Study of this material shows that the seed- and capsule-characters, which were exhibited by the Digby Neck material, break down, and that *L. septentrionalis* is not specifically separable from *L. americana* of the New Jersey pine barrens.

\*\**SISYRINCHIUM INTERMEDIUM* Bicknell. Various colonies seem to belong to *S. intermedium*. The plants are all sterile and there still remains doubt as to whether *S. intermedium* is a true species. Our collections are from YARMOUTH Co.: border of spruce swamp, Markland (Cape Forchu); dry fields and clearings near St. John (Wilson) Lake. ANNAPOLIS Co.: thin open humus on North Mt., Belle Isle.

*S. ATLANTICUM* Bicknell. Eastward to Annapolis and Lunenburg Cos.

*HABENARIA FLAVA* (L.) Spreng. Several new stations, all in the valley of the Tusket, Yarmouth Co., north to Parr Lake and east to Canoe Lake.

*H. OBTUSATA* (Pursh) Richardson. Very rare in the western Counties. ANNAPOLIS Co.: mossy woods, North Mt., Belle Isle. YARMOUTH Co.: mossy spruce woods, Greenville.

*H. MACROPHYLLA* Goldie. DIGBY Co.: old mixed woods near Cedar Lake, New Tusket.

*SPIRANTHES CERNUA* (L.) Richard, var. *OCHROLEUCA* (Rydb.) Ames. Characteristic of the driest of siliceous barrens. Additional stations are, for YARMOUTH Co.: gravelly railroad-bank, Belleville. SHELBURNE Co.: abundant on dry sandy *Corema*-heath, Hope's Lot Barrens, Clyde River; common on dry sandy *Corema*-barrens north of Jordan Falls.

*Salix viminalis* L. Naturalized in roadside thicket, Hassett, Digby Co.

*OSTRYA VIRGINIANA* (Mill.) K. Koch. YARMOUTH Co.: wooded shore of Parr Lake; tree with remarkably coriaceous foliage.

THE VARIETIES OF *BETULA LUTEA*.—In 1904 Dr. Britton, by describing *Betula alleghaniensis*,<sup>1</sup> called attention to the fact that we have two fairly marked trends of the Yellow Birch which had hither-

<sup>1</sup> Britton, Bull. Torr. Bot. Cl. xxxi. 166 (1904).

to passed as *B. lutea* Michx. f. *B. alleghaniensis*, based primarily upon material from the upper slopes of Mt. Pisgah, western North Carolina, distributed by the Biltmore Herbarium as no. 1619, was given a broad range: "From Massachusetts to Quebec and northern Michigan, south to southern New York, Pennsylvania, and in the mountains to Georgia." Subsequently, in his *North American Trees* (1908), Britton made more definite his differentiation of the two Yellow Birches by stating the key-characters (p. 247):

Fruiting scales 4 to 5 mm. long; leaves mostly cordate

14. *B. alleghaniensis*.

Fruiting scales 8 to 10 mm. long . . . ; leaves rarely cordate

15. *B. lutea*.

On pp. 258 and 259 of the same work, where the two are more fully described and illustrated, *B. alleghaniensis* is shown with the leaves very definitely *not* cordate, with scales there described as "4 to 6 mm. long" and having "the wedge-shaped part below the lobes very short" and the fruits cuneate-obovate; while *B. lutea*, assigned a more northern range, has the scales with prolonged "stalk-like part below the lobes" and the fruits suborbicular. Though recognizing the two extremes indicated by Dr. Britton, various other students of our trees have subsequently been unable to keep them apart as species. Thus, in 1918 Ashe recognized the extreme with short scales as *B. lutea*, var. *alleghaniensis* (Britton) Ashe,<sup>1</sup> and more recently I have so designated<sup>2</sup> much of the common Yellow Birch of Nova Scotia. Subsequently, in an attempt to label properly the material in the Gray Herbarium and the herbarium of the New England Botanical Club, I have carefully studied the specimens, with the result that it seems possible to recognize two strong trends in the scales. The leaves do not show the difference indicated in the key-characters above quoted and, as already noted, Dr. Britton's own illustration of *B. alleghaniensis* shows no approach to cordate leaves. Neither does the difference of fruit brought out in his illustrations regularly accompany the differences in the scales. But in general the scales which are only 5-8 mm. long (I have been unable to find any mature scales as short as 4 mm. and the material in the Gray Herbarium of Biltmore Herb. no. 1619, the type-number of *B. alleghaniensis*, has the scales 7-8 mm. long) and with short (mostly 1-2 mm.) base are of firm or subcoriaceous texture; while the scales of the other extreme,

<sup>1</sup> Ashe, Bull. Charleston Mus. xiv. 11 (1918).

<sup>2</sup> Fernald, RHODORA, xxiii. 257 (1922).

8–13 mm. long and with prolonged base, are subfoliaceous and sometimes even subsquarrose.

The latter is the tree taken by Dr. Britton to be *B. lutea*, but when Michaux's original description and plate are examined it at once becomes clear that the original *B. lutea* Michx. f.<sup>1</sup> was identical with *B. alleghaniensis*, i. e. the common Yellow Birch with short and subcoriaceous short-based scales which "abonde surtout dans les forêts de la Nouvelle-Écosse, de la Nouvelle-Brunswick, du district du Maine, où elle est désignée sous le seul nom de *Yellow birch*, *Bouleau jaune*." This is indicated not alone by the very characteristic drawing of the fruiting ament and scale but by Michaux's definite statement (pp. 153, 154) that "les écailles . . . sont trifides, très-acuminées, et longues d'environ 3 lignes (7 millimètres)." That this extreme of the species is more common in the forests of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Maine than is the tree with longer and subfoliaceous scales is clear from the representation of the two in the herbaria (including that of the Arnold Arboretum) at hand. Of typical *B. lutea* (*B. alleghaniensis*) Nova Scotia shows a representation of 7 collections, New Brunswick 3, and Maine 21; while of the tree with long subfoliaceous scales Nova Scotia shows 3 collections, New Brunswick 1 and Maine 3.

Although it has been implied that the long-scaled extreme is of more northern range than the short-scaled typical *Betula lutea* (*B. alleghaniensis*) it is noteworthy that the collections at hand show the latter to be more generally collected in the cooler or more northern regions. The figures just listed are to the point; likewise the fact that our only collections from Quebec are of typical *B. lutea* as are 6 out of 8 from Vermont and 6 out of 9 from New Hampshire. Furthermore, the collections from the southern Alleghanies show the typical short-scaled *B. lutea* from an altitude of 3400 feet on the Blue Ridge of Virginia, from "Upper slopes of Mt. Pisgah," North Carolina (type of *B. alleghaniensis*) and from 6000 feet on the Great Smoky Mountains; while the southern material of the long-scaled extreme is from "along the East Fork of the Greenbrier River," West Virginia, "ex regione inferiori Montium Alleghany, Doe River Valley, Tennessee", from "near foot of Thunderhead Mt., E. Tenn," and common below 4000 feet in the mountains of Macon County, North Carolina. The collections from Indiana are, likewise, consistent with these ranges,

<sup>1</sup> F. André-Michaux, *Hist. des Arbres Forest. de l'Am. Sept.* ii. 152, t. 5 (1812).



2 numbers being the short-scaled tree, 7 the long-scaled. Fruiting specimens from Newfoundland and Labrador are wanting, but it is significant that nearly all material at hand from Connecticut (6 out of 7 collections), New York (9 out of 10) and Tennessee (2) are of the long-scaled extreme. Whatever factor may influence the distribution of the two it would seem that the typical short-scaled *B. lutea* cannot be regarded as generally of more southern range than the other.

To summarize, the two varieties of *Betula lutea* are:

BETULA LUTEA Michx. f. Hist. des Arbres Forest. de l'Am. Sept. ii. 152, t. 5 (1812). *B. excelsa* Pursh, Fl. Am. Sept. ii. 621 (1814), not Ait. *B. lenta*,  $\alpha$  *genuina* Regel, Nouv. Mém. Soc. Nat. Mosc. xiii. 126, in part (1860). *B. lenta*,  $\beta$  *lutea* Regel in DC. Prodr. xvi. pt. 2: 179 (1868). *B. alleghaniensis* Britton, Bull. Torr. Bot. Cl. xxxi. 166 (1904), North Am. Trees, 257, fig. 216 (1908). *B. lutea alleghaniensis* (Britton) Ashe, Bull. Charlest. Mus. xiv. 11 (1918).—Scales of the fruiting ament firm and subcoriaceous, 5–8 mm. long; the cuneate basal portion 1–2.5 mm. long.—Cape Breton Island and Gaspé Co., Quebec to Ontario, south to the mountains of North Carolina, West Virginia, Illinois and Iowa.<sup>1</sup>

Var. **macrolepis**, n. var., squamis subfoliaceis maturitate 8–13 mm. longis, parte pedali elongata 2.5–6 mm. longa. *B. lutea* Britton, North Am. Trees, 258, fig. 217 (1908).—New Brunswick to Wisconsin south to Tennessee, Indiana and Illinois. The following are characteristic. NEW BRUNSWICK: swamps, Campbellton, July, 1877, R. Chalmers. NOVA SCOTIA: Comeauville, August, 1900, L. L. Dame; mixed woods, Argyle, August 4, 1920, Long & Linder, no. 21,001; wooded roadside, Armdale (Dutch Village), July 28, 1921, Fernald, Bartram & Long, no. 23,766. MAINE: rocky woods, Dover, August 5, 1895, Fernald, no. 383; woods, High Head, Mount Desert Island, June 15, 1889, Rand; South Poland, 1893, Kate Furbish. NEW HAMPSHIRE: Randolph, August 17, 1902, Pease, no. 440; Breezy Point, Warren, July 23, 1908, E. F. Williams; woods, Dublin, July 23, 1897, B. L. Robinson, no. 266 (TYPE in Gray Herb.). VERMONT: Windham, July 9, 1904, W. H. Blanchard, no. 11. MASSACHUSETTS: Beverly, Asa Gray; Needham, December 9, 1883, T. O. Fuller; border of Chamaccyparis swamp, Hanson, October 29, 1916, Fernald, no. 15,128; Granville, September 20, 1913, F. C. Seymour, no. 34; Kitchen Brook, Cheshire, July 27, 1916, J. R. Churchill. RHODE ISLAND: Johnston, S. T. Olney; border of low woods, Tiverton, June 11, 1912, S. N. F. Sanford. CONNECTICUT: woods about Keney Park, Hartford, September 8, 1907, A. W. Driggs; woods, Southington, August

<sup>1</sup> Without fruiting material it is impossible to determine the exact identity of the Yellow Birch of Newfoundland, Labrador, and some regions to the south of the limits here given.

27, 1894, *Bissell*, no. 538; Mount Carmel, 1857, *D. C. Eaton*. NEW YORK: sandy woodlands, Whitestown, Oneida Co., September 2, 1904, *Haberer*, no. 808; border of sphagnum bog, southeast of Oriskany, July 2, 1904, *Haberer*, no. 809; moist rocky bank, Lower Enfield Ravine, Ithaca, September 5, 1915, *A. J. Fames*, no. 3922. WEST VIRGINIA: along East Fork of Greenbrier River, Pocohontas Co., September 19, 1904, *A. H. Moore*, no. 2364. TENNESSEE: lower slopes of the mountains, Doe River Valley, September, 1884. *John Ball*; near foot of Thunderhead Mt., July 25, 1896, *Ruth*, no. 474. INDIANA: tamarack and huckleberry marsh 6 miles north of Plymouth, August 31, 1914, *C. C. Deam*, no. 15,105; low border of Graveyard Lake, Steuben Co., June 11, 1911, *Deam*, nos. 8648, 8651 8653; wet woods about 12 miles east of Michigan City, June 17, 1911, *Deam*, no. 8760. WISCONSIN: Kilbourn, 1861, *T. J. Hale*; swamp, Preble, Brown Co., August 26, 1892, *J. H. Schuette*. ILLINOIS: Dixon, *Geo. Vasey*.

\*\**BETULA CAERULEA-GRANDIS* Blanchard, *Betula*, i. no. 1 (May 7, 1904). *B. caerulea*, var. *grandis* Blanchard in Vermont Phoenix for May 13, 1904 and *Betula*, i. no. 2 (May 13, 1904). *B. caerulea*, var. *Blanchardi* Sargent, *Man. Trees* N. A. 202, fig. 168 A (1905).—A characteristic tree in portions of Nova Scotia; probably of wide distribution. HALIFAX CO.: wooded roadside, Armdale (Dutch Village). LUNENBURG CO.: roadside thickets and banks of Lahave River, Bridgewater.

*B. caerulea-grandis* is an abundant and characteristic tree in some parts of Prince Edward Island, especially in the forests of Queens County where, in the outskirts of Charlottetown and in the dry woods along Brackley Point Road, it forms very extensive groves with the stature and bark of *B. papyrifera* but at once recognized by the highly lustrous blue-green upper surfaces of the leaves. Upon examination these are found to be quite glabrous as are the young branchlets. The fruiting aments strongly resemble those of *B. papyrifera*. *B. caerulea-grandis*, besides occurring as a characteristic tree on Prince Edward Island and in Nova Scotia, is found thence to the Gaspé Peninsula and the region of Quebec, and south to eastern and central Maine, northern New Hampshire and the Green Mountains of Vermont. It is the tree of eastern America, incorrectly called by me<sup>1</sup> in earlier publications *B. pendula* Roth and *B. pendula* var. *japonica* Rehd. Besides Blanchard's Vermont material and the Nova Scotia collections above cited the following are characteristic.

QUEBEC: vicinity of Montmorenci Falls, July 7, 1905, *J. Macoun*, no. 68,774. PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND: dry woods, Brackley Point

<sup>1</sup> Fernald, *Am. Journ. Sci.* ser. 4, xiv. 184, 191 (1902); Robinson & Fernald in *Gray. Man.* ed. 7: 335 (1908).

Road, August, 1 1912, *Fernald, Long & St. John*, nos. 7299, 7300. MAINE: in disintegrated volcanic rock, Haystack Mountain, Aroostook Co., July 11, 1902, *Williams, Collins & Fernald*; shore of Rowe Pond, Pleasant Ridge, Somerset Co., September 10, 1909, *J. F. Collins*; near summit of hill with coast-survey tower, Cutler, July 7, 1902, *Kennedy, Williams, Collins & Fernald*; Sprague's Neck, Cutler, August 11, 1902, *Kate Furbish*. NEW HAMPSHIRE: Endicott Farm, Shelburne, July 4, 1914, *W. Deane*; roadside, Randolph, August 28, 1914, *Pease*, no. 16,298; near Glen House, Pinkham Notch, July 28, 1921, *T. W. Edmonson*, no. 5321.

When he first published *Betula caerulea-grandis* (May 7, 1904) Blanchard also put forward *B. caerulea*, introducing the two with the phrase: "The writer has found and here names and describes two new species of white birch." This first number of *Betula* was received at the Gray Herbarium on May 10, 1904. Almost immediately (on May 13) Blanchard issued in the *Vermont Phoenix* a popular account of his discoveries and reprinted this account "without change of type" as *Betula*, i. no. 2. In this second account he says "The blue birch, as I have said, presents two well-marked forms . . . . As these birches are without names I propose to call the smaller one **Betula caerulea** and the larger one **Betula caerulea** variety **grandis**." This paper was received at the Gray Herbarium May 24 but, that Blanchard himself did not believe the larger-fruited tree to be really a variety of *B. caerulea*, is indicated by his annotations on the two copies sent, and on additional copies sent at the same time of *Betula*, no. 1. On the two copies of no. 2, in which *B. caerulea*, var. *grandis* was published as a variety, Blanchard had written in red ink; "Wise editor helped spoil" and "Spoiled by wise editor," while on the copies of no. 1 sent at the same time he wrote against the phrase "two new species;" "I stand by this" and "By this I stand now." It is thus clear that, although on *second thought* Blanchard wavered, on *third thought* he regarded the two as species as he had originally done. The name *B. caerulea*, var. *Blanchardi* (1905), based upon the same material as *B. caerulea-grandis* (1904) and *B. caerulea*, var. *grandis* (1904), must be treated as a synonym.

\*\**BETULA CAERULEA* Blanchard, *Betula*, i. no. 1 (May 7, 1904); Sargent, *Man. Trees* N. A. 201, fig. 168 (1905). HALIFAX Co.: dry rocky thickets, Dartmouth; wooded roadside, Armdale (Dutch Village).

At the latter station *B. caerulea* was associated with the abundant *B. caerulea-grandis* and *B. populifolia*; at Dartmouth, only a few miles away, it was with at least *B. populifolia*; and at its Vermont



stations it occurs with *B. caerulea-grandis* and *B. populifolia*. In foliage *B. caerulea* is a good combination of the two; in fruiting aments it is much closer to *B. populifolia*, having short horizontally divergent and puberulent scales, and in a large proportion of specimens there is only a solitary staminate ament, *B. caerulea-grandis* more often having 2 or 3. The present evidence seems to indicate that *B. caerulea* is a hybrid of *B. caerulea-grandis* and *B. populifolia* and it is noteworthy that on one of his sheets of *B. caerulea* in the Gray Herbarium Blanchard originally wrote: "It may be a hybrid between *pendula* [of eastern America, i. e. *B. caerulea-grandis*] and *populifolia*."

*ALNUS INCANA* (L.) Moench, var. *HYPOCHLORA* Call. Recorded from a single station in RHODORA, xxiii. 257 (1922). Frequent eastward at least to Lunenburg Co.

*QUERCUS BOREALIS* Michx. f., var. *MAXIMA* (Marsh.) Ashe, Proc. Soc. Am. Foresters, xi. 90 (1916). *Q. rubra* of authors, not L. Although the common oak of Nova Scotia is typical *Q. borealis* (*Q. rubra*, var. *ambigua*), the southern extreme with flattish cups was twice collected. YARMOUTH Co.: dry woods near Canoe Lake. ANNAPOLIS Co.: woods bordering Boot Lake.

\*\**Polygonum Bistorta* L. Sp. Pl. i. 360 (1753). The European Bistort is somewhat naturalized (at least two obviously increasing clumps) in a field in Victoria Park, Truro.

*P. MUHLENBERGHII* (Meisn.) Watson. Additional stations are, in YARMOUTH Co.: cobbly beach of Ogden Lake; rocky swale bordering Dominick Lake east of Springhaven.

\**P. PENNSYLVANICUM* L., var. *GENUINUM* Fernald, RHODORA, xix. 72 (1917). ANNAPOLIS Co.: exsiccated clay roadway bordering salt marsh, Annapolis Royal; first record from east of Massachusetts, previous records belonging to var. *LAEVIGATUM* Fernald.

*P. ROBUSTIUS* (Small) Fernald, RHODORA, xxiii. 147 (1921). Additional stations, in YARMOUTH Co.: cobbly beach of Ogden Lake. DIGBY Co.: rocky thicket bordering West Branch of Tusket R., Havelock; rocky thicket bordering Wentworth Lake. ANNAPOLIS Co.: in peat and granite gravel bordering outlet of Lamb's Lake.

\*\**P. PURITANORUM* Fernald, RHODORA, xxi. 141 (1919). ANNAPOLIS Co.: in sand or gravel among granite boulders, beach of Grand Lake; first record outside southeastern Massachusetts.

*P. HYDROPIPEROIDES* Michx. Common eastward at least to Annapolis and Lunenburg Cos.

*P. HYDROPIPEROIDES*, var. *DIGITATUM* Fernald, RHODORA, xxiii. 260 (1922). Typical *P. hydropipcroides* was in maturity from mid-July through August, but the original colony of var. *digitatum*, when visited on August 23, barely showed color in the inflorescences: the original collection was made (in good flower) in October, 1920.

\*\**P. hydropipcroides* × *robustus*, n. hybr., caule decumbente

basi valde lignescenti stoloniferoque plerumque 3-5 mm. crasso; ramis floriferis adscendentibus 0.3-1 m. longis; foliis anguste ellipticis vel elliptico-lanceolatis acuminatis vel acutis 0.5-2 dm. longis 0.8-4 cm. latis; ocreis laxe cylindricis strigosis ciliatis, ciliis 2-5 mm. longis; pedunculis erectis elongatis; spicis filiformibus plerumque 0.4-1 dm. longis alternifloris, rhachi purpurascenti; ocreolis ciliatis: perianthiis lacteis 2-3 mm. longis, epunctatis vel rare punctatis: achaeniis vacuis.

NOVA SCOTIA: in great abundance in peat and granite gravel bordering outlet of Lamb's Lake, Annapolis Co. July 19, 1921 (foliage), *Fernald, Bartram, Long & Fassett*, no. 23,802, August 29, *Fernald & Long*, no. 23,803 (TYPE in Gray Herb.) and in *Pl. Exsicc. Gray.*, September 16, *Donald McPherson*, no. 23,804.

Exactly combining the aspect and characters of the two species, both of which occur with or near it. In its coarse habit with stout subligneous base nearer *P. robustius*; in foliage intermediate; in the spike showing the slender habit of *P. hydropiperoides* and the purple color of the rhachis, but in the large milk-white flowers and the great length of the spikes suggesting *P. robustius*. Practically all the achenes are empty. Out of 135 sheets of specimens collected on August 29 we were able to secure only 5 partially filled achenes; while a mass of 100 or more older inflorescences collected in September by Mr. McPherson yielded no good achenes.

*Chenopodium Bonus-Henricus* L. ANNAPOLIS Co.: locally abundant, roadsides and waste ground, Annapolis Royal.

BRASENIA SCIUREBERI Gmel. Lakes of Shelburne Co.

CORYDALIS SEMPERVIRENS (L.) Pers. Apparently rare. Seen only in recently cleared land in Digby Co. (Wentworth Lake) and Lunenburg Co. (Bridgewater).

SUBULARIA AQUATICA L. Many additional stations in Digby and Lunenburg Cos.

SARRACENIA PURPUREA L., forma **heterophylla** (Eaton), n. comb. *S. heterophylla* Eaton, Man. ed. 4: 445 (1824). *S. purpurea*, var. *heterophylla* (Eaton) Torr. Rep. Bot. Dept. Surv. N. Y. Assembly No. 50: 120 (1839), Fl. N. Y. i. 41 (1843). *S. purpurea heterophylla* (Eaton) Britton, Mem. Torr. Bot. Cl. v. 176 (1894).

This very striking color-form, with yellow-green sepals, yellowish petals and stigma and pale-green leaves, occurs abundantly at the boggy margin of Young's Lake, North Mt., Belle Isle (Annapolis Co.).

PYRUS ARBUTIFOLIA (L.) L. f. SHELburne Co.: wet thicket bordering Harper Lake.

AMELANCHIER STOLONIFERA Wiegand. Additional stations in Yarmouth Co.

A. STOLONIFERA, var. LUCIDA Fernald, RHODORA, xxiii. 267 (1922). Additional stations in Yarmouth, Shelburne and Lunenburg Cos.

A. LAEVIS Willd., var. NITIDA (Wiegand) Fernald, RHODORA, xxiii. 267 (1922). Many stations from Yarmouth Co. to Halifax Co.

\*POTENTILLA PUMILA Poir. LUNENBURG CO.: abundant in dry open soil and at borders of pine woods about Bridgewater; first east of the lower Penobscot. Previously known in Canada only from southern Ontario.—J. M. Macoun, Ott. Nat. xvi. 214 (1903).

\**Filipendula rubra* (Hill) Robinson. Damp roadside-thicket, Yarmouth.

\*\*RUBUS ODORATUS L. var. **malachophyllus**, n. var. foliis utrinque densissime pilosis vel subvelutinis supra juventate et subtus ad nervos atro-glandulosis.

Leaves densely pilose or almost velvety on both surfaces, the upper surfaces of the young and the nerves beneath black-glandular.—NOVA SCOTIA: thicket, Belleville, Yarmouth Co., July 23, 1921, Fernald, Bartram & Long, no. 23,974 (TYPE in Gray Herb.).

Typical *Rubus odoratus* has the leaves nearly or often quite glabrous on the upper surfaces and only sparingly pubescent on the nerves beneath, and only rarely in the typical continental plant do glands occur upon the leaf-surfaces. Lindsay records *R. odoratus* as "cult'ed at Annap[oli]s., pos'bly fm. w[ild] plants."

\*\**R. illecebrosus* Focke, Abh. Nat. Ver. Bremen, xvi. 278 (1899).—An ornamental garden plant from Japan, tending to spread from cultivation at Annapolis Royal.

R. ALLEGHENIENSIS Porter. Much of the Nova Scotia shrub is uncharacteristic, having comparatively short and leafy-bracted racemes, and subglobose berries with coarse drupelets of inferior flavor. This may prove to be separable from *R. allegheniensis*.

R. GLANDICAULIS Blanchard. The typical form of the species collected in HANTS Co.: gravelly thicket near Uniacke Lake.

R. AMNICOLA Blanchard. YARMOUTH CO.: thickets and clearings bordering savannah along South Branch of Tusket River, Quinan; high-arching shrubs, very prolific, bearing fruit of the richest quality. Should be cultivated.

R. MULTIFORMIS Blanchard. Many additional stations, especially in Shelburne Co., where this low-arching or trailing species is characteristic of boggy thickets and river- and lake-margins.

R. BIFORMISPINUS Blanchard. One of the most characteristic coarse trailers of the sandy roadsides and railroad embankments in southern Yarmouth and Shelburne Cos. The lustrous foliage of darkest green is very handsome and the stout sprawling canes are often nearly 1 cm. in diameter; fruit inferior.

R. RECURVANS Blanchard. Frequent from Yarmouth Co. to Lunenburg Co. Where well developed, as about Gavelton or in thickets by Ogden Lake, furnishing the choicest blackberries in the province.

*R. RECURVICAULIS* Blanchard. The observations of 1920 were confirmed: that this is one of the commonest species of rocky or gravelly habitats.

*R. VERMONTANUS* Blanchard. Additional stations in Annapolis and Shelburne Cos.

*R. TARDATUS* Blanchard. Additional stations in Yarmouth, Shelburne and Hants Cos.

*R. ABBREVIANS* Blanchard. Frequent in Yarmouth and Shelburne Cos. Additional stations in YARMOUTH Co.: sphagnous thicket, Markland (Cape Forchu), nos. 23,982, 24,025; gravelly railroad bank, Tusket, no. 23,996; open rocky thicket near Vaughan (Tusket) Lake, Gavelton, no. 24,016. SHELburne Co.: gravelly railroad bank, Atwood Brook, no. 23,987; rocky thicket bordering Welshtown (Birehtown) Lake, no. 24,003.

*R. ARCUANS* Fernald & St. John. Very luxuriant on the gravelly railroad banks from Shelburne to Sable River.

*R. JACENS* Blanchard. Additional stations northward to Digby Neck and eastward to Lunenburg Co.

\*\**ROSA NITIDA* × *PALUSTRIS* Rydb. N. A. Fl. xxii. 496 (1918). *R. carolina* × *nitida* Crépin, RHODORA, ii. 113 (1900). *R. carolina*, var. *setigera* Crépin, l. c. A characteristic clump in wet rocky thicket bordering Sparrel Lake, southeast of Hasset, Digby Co.

\**R. NITIDA* × *VIRGINIANA* Rydb. l. c. 502 (1918). Border of spruce swamp, Markland (Cape Forchu).

\*\**R. OBOVATA* Raf. as interpreted by Rydberg l. c. 499 (1918). Apparently a well defined species. Our material is from YARMOUTH Co.: damp thicket bordering Brazil Lake. LUNENBURG Co.: borders of dry pine and oak woods on steep slopes along Lahave River, Bridgewater (quite like the southern specimens).

*Cytisus scoparius* (L.) Link. Long known from Shelburne; but now rapidly covering all open ground of roadside, pasture and woods-border along the main road from Shelburne to Jordon Falls, especially in the vicinity of Swanburg Lake. The plant is locally gathered for the drug market.

*Trifolium dubium* Sibth. Northeastward to Weymouth.

\**Vicia sepium* L. Border of field, Annapolis Royal.

*AP. OS TUBEROSA* Moench. Many additional stations in Digby, Annapolis and Lunenburg Cos. In 1920 the plant appeared always sterile, in 1921 it flowered heavily.

*GERANIUM BICKNELLI* Britton. Seen only in a recently burned clearing west of Bridgewater—one of the most characteristic habitats of the plant elsewhere. Earlier records of *G. carolinianum* undoubtedly belong here.

*ILEX VERTICILLATA* (L.) Gray, var. *TENUIFOLIA* (Torr.) Wats. SHELburne Co.: rocky shore of Deception Lake.

*I. VERTICILLATA*, var. *FASTIGIATA* (Bicknell) Fernald, RHODORA, xxiii. 274 (1922). Additional stations in Yarmouth and Shelburne Cos.

ACER RUBRUM L., var. TRIDENS Wood. HALIFAX Co.: mixed woods, Armdale (Dutch Village).

\**A. Negundo* L. Well naturalized on banks of Lahave River. Bridgewater.

*Vitis labrusca* × *vinifera*. A single vigorous vine of one of the commonly cultivated grapes is growing in the gravelly thicket at the foot of a railroad bank near Uniacke Lake; obviously sprung from seed thrown from the train.

HYPERICUM DISSIMULATUM Bicknell. Additional stations in Digby, Yarmouth and Lunenburg Cos.

ELATINE MINIMA (Nutt.) Fisch. & Meyer. Many additional stations in Annapolis, Lunenburg and Hants Cos.

HUDSONIA ERICOIDES L. SHELBURNE Co.: dry rocky and sandy barrens, Shelburne.

VIOLA LABRADORICA Schrank. The Nova Scotia material passing as *V. conspersa* has the very small and nearly entire stipules of *V. labradorica*. In foliage it is sometimes quite like the latter, at other times like the former and its exact identification must await better material.

*Daphne Mezereum* L. Thoroughly naturalized and very handsome in roadside-thickets and on clay banks in the gypsiferous or basaltic regions from Annapolis Co. to Hants Co.

*Shepherdia canadensis* (L.) Nutt. A single shrub, not yet destroyed, on an open bank near gypsum quarries, Windsor.

DECODON VERTICILLATUS (L.) Ell., var. LAEVIGATUS T. & G. Additional stations; for DIGBY Co.: among granite boulders bordering Cedar Lake, New Tusket. SHELBURNE Co.: quaking sphagnous border of Western Lake, Birchtown Brook; peaty margin of McKay's Lake, Middle Ohio.

RHEXIA VIRGINICA L. Additional stations, for YARMOUTH Co.: peaty and cobbly beach of St. John (Wilson's) Lake; very abundant, peaty swale bordering Canoe Lake. SHELBURNE Co.: upper border of cobbly beach, Welshtown (Birchtown) Lake; upper border of cobbly beach, McKay's Lake, Middle Ohio. LUNENBURG Co.: upper border of gravelly beach, Feindel's Lake, west of Bridgewater.

\**EPILOBium coloratum* Muhl. Open spot with both native and introduced plants near railroad station, Weymouth. Should be sought in more natural habitats. First east of the Penobscot region, the earlier records from eastern Canada resting on *E. glandulosum* vars. *adenocaulon* (Haussk.) Fernald and *occidentale* (Trel.) Fernald.

OENOTHERA HYBRIDA Michx. Fl. Bor.-Am. i. 225 (1803); Blake, RHODORA, xx. 51 (1918). *O. fruticosa*, var. *hirsuta* Nutt. in T. & G. Fl. i. 496 (1840). *Kneiffia tetragona hybrida* (Michx.) Pennell, Bull. Torr. Bot. Cl. xlv. 371 (1919).—DIGBY Co.: dry sandy open soil of pastures and roadsides, Ashmore. Doubtless this is the plant reported by others from western Nova Scotia as *O. fruticosa*.

Dr. F. W. Pennell objects to the use of the perfectly identified and



typified name *O. hybrida* Michx. because, in taking up this earliest valid specific name, "Dr. Blake has hardly improved nomenclature—surely not in the opinion of our genetical friends—by the substitution of the name '*hybrida*.'" Under the generic name *Oenothera* this specific name is, naturally, unfortunate but "No one is authorized to reject, change or modify a name (or combination of names) because it is badly chosen," etc. (Internat. Rules, Art. 50) and under the generic name *Kneiffia*, which Pennell maintains, it could not be very embarrassing to "our genetical friends," since they have not specially concerned themselves with that subgenus (or genus). As a result of his objection to the name *Oenothera hybrida* Michx. Pennell made a special search of literature in "the hope of finding for this species some appropriate name." This he feels that he has found in *O. tetragona* Roth, Catalecta, ii. 39 (1800), a name which antedates by three years Michaux's publication. Pennell has seen no specimen but is satisfied that "the full description would apply to the plant here considered." Whether Roth had a plant which is conspecific with *O. hybrida* Michx. (the *Kneiffia fruticosa* of the Illustrated Flora) is certainly very doubtful. Roth calls for a plant with dichotomus branching (Caulis . . . dichotomus), a habit not shown in any material I have seen; Roth calls for oval, obtuse, entire, recurved leaves about 3 inches long and 1 inch wide (Folia . . . ovalia, obtusa, integra, . . . plerumque recurva, tres uncias circiter longa unciamque in medio lata), but the Illustrated Flora correctly describes our plant with "Leaves lanceolate, ovate-lanceolate or oval-lanceolate, acute or obtusish . . . repand-denticulate, or rarely nearly entire," while Pennell's key-characters describe his *K. tetragona* with "Leaves lanceolate." Roth knew perfectly well that his *O. tetragona* did not have lanceolate and repand leaves, for in contrasting it with *O. tetraptera* Cav. he said: "*Foliis* ovalibus, integris; nec lanceolatis, a basi ad medium vsque pinnati fdis." Similarly in distinguishing it from *O. fruticosa* he said: "*Foliis* ovalibus, obtusis; nec lanceolatis, acutis." And surely the spreading-ascending leaves of *O. hybrida* are not well described as "recurva." The calyx-tube of *O. hybrida* is very slender, well described as filiform, but Roth described the calyx-tube of *O. tetragona* as cylindric (cylindraceus . . . crassitie pedicelli) and emphasized its thickness by contrasting it with that of *O. fruticosa*: "*Calycis tubo* cylindraceo; nec filiformi, angustissimo." Other points, such as the crenate petals

described by Roth, might be discussed, but enough has already been emphasized to indicate that Roth's detailed description of *O. tetragona* departs in very many points from *O. hybrida* and that those who wish to throw out Michaux's specific name must find an earlier name which is more clearly synonymous with it than is *O. tetragona* Roth.

*MYRIOPHYLLUM HUMILE* (Raf.) Morong. YARMOUTH Co.: Vaughan (Tusket) Lake. LUNENBURG Co.: Feindel's Lake, west of Bridge-water; Rhodeniser Lake. HANTS Co.: Uniacke Lake.

*M. TENELLUM* Bigel. The tremendous variation in the stature of this species is illustrated by our collections. At the gravelly margin of Uniacke Lake (Hants) the plant was flowering when 2.5-5 cm. high; but in a peaty cove of Little Meteghan Lake the coarse stems reached a height of 5.5 dm.

*PROSERPINACA PALUSTRIS* L. At various stations from Yarmouth Co. to Annapolis and Lunenburg Cos.: in the latter region sometimes reaching remarkable development: 0.5 m. high, with emerged leaves up to 8.5 cm. long and 1.3 cm. broad.

*P. PECTINATA* Lam. Additional stations, for YARMOUTH Co: wet savannahs bordering Goven and Kegeshook Lakes and South Branch by Tusket River, Quinan. LUNENBURG Co.: sphagnous swale west of Italy Cross; sandy and gravelly beach of Blystner Lake; peaty bottom of dried-out mill-pond north of Blockhouse.

*\*\*HYDROCOTYLE UMBELLATA* L. YARMOUTH Co.: wet sandy and gravelly margin of St. John (Wilson's) Lake; first time east of Massachusetts. Very rare and local and appearing like a waif washed down from some as yet undiscovered station farther up the valley of the Tusket.

*H. AMERICANA* L. Frequent eastward at least to Annapolis and Lunenburg Cos.

*\*Aethusa Cynapium* L. Waste ground in barn-yard, Shelburne.

*CORNUS STOLONIFERA* Michx. Westward to Annapolis Co.

*PYROLA CHLORANTHA* Sw. At various stations in Digby, Annapolis and Hants Cos. Var. *paucifolia* Fernald seems hardly worth maintaining.

*P. ROTUNDIFOLIA* L., var. *ARENARIA* Mert. & Koch. Additional stations eastward to Hants Co.

*\*VACCINIUM CORYMBOSUM* L. The typical form of the species we have only from thickets bordering Goven Lake, Yarmouth Co.

*V. CORYMBOSUM*, var. *AMOENUM* (Ait.) Gray. Additional stations eastward to the Roseway River, Shelburne Co.

*V. CORYMBOSUM*, var. *PALLIDUM* (Ait.) Gray. Additional stations eastward to Welchtown (Birchtown) Lake, Shelburne Co.

*PRIMULA FARINOSA* L., var. *MACROPODA* Fernald. YARMOUTH Co.: turfey crests and slopes of exposed headlands, Markland (Cape Forchu); reported to us from headlands near Pembroke Shore.

*SAMOLUS FLORIBUNDUS* HBK. SHELburne Co.: border of salt

marsh, Port Clyde. LUNENBURG Co.: brackish mud by Lahave River, Bridgewater.

*LYSIMACHIA TERRESTRIS* (L.) BSP. In boggy thickets reaching a full meter in height; in dry sands fruiting at a height of 2 dm.

*SABATIA KENNEDYANA* Fernald. Many additional stations, all in the Tusket Valley, eastward to Canoe Lake.

\*\**S. KENNEDYANA*, forma *CANDIDA* Fernald, *RHODORA*, xviii. 151 (1916). The albino-flowered form local by Vagahan (Tusket) and Canoe Lake.

\*\**S. KENNEDYANA*, forma *eucycla*, n. f., lobis corollae late obovatis plus minusve imbricatis.

Lobes of the corolla broadly obovate, more or less imbricated.—NOVA SCOTIA: wet peaty margin of Vaughan (Tusket) Lake, Gavelton, Yarmouth Co., August 13, 1921, *Fernald & Long*, no. 24,354 (TYPE in Gray Herb.).

The ordinary form of *S. Kennedyana* has the segments narrowly cuneate-obovate, averaging two-fifths as broad as long, and with only rarely overlapping margins. Forma *eucycla*, with the lobes five-sevenths as broad as long and with usually overlapping margins, forms a colony of considerable extent at one point on Vaughan Lake.

*BARTONIA VIRGINICA* (L.) BSP. Many additional stations in Yarmouth and Shelburne Cos. Plants from *Corema*-barrens north of Jordon Falls have very large flowers, with calyx up to 4.5 mm. long.

*B. PANICULATA* (Michx.) Robinson. Many additional stations in Digby, Yarmouth, Shelburne, Lunenburg and Halifax Cos.

*B. PANICULATA*, var. *INTERMEDIA* Fernald, *RHODORA*, xxiii. 287 (1922). Many additional stations in Yarmouth, Shelburne and Lunenburg Cos.

*B. PANICULATA*, var. *SABULONENSIS* Fernald, l. c. 288 (1922). Colonies closely approaching the Sable Island plant in SHELBURNE Co.: wet sandy beach, Harper Lake. LUNENBURG Co.: peaty and gravelly beach of Feindel's Lake, west of Bridgewater.

*APOCYNUM CANNABINUM* L. LUNENBURG Co.: cobbly beach of Wentzell Lake.

*ASCLEPIAS INCARNATA* L., var. *PULCHRA* (Ehrh.) Pers. DIGBY Co.: rocky thicket bordering Wentworth Lake. YARMOUTH Co.: thicket at upper border of cobbly beach, Parr Lake. LUNENBURG Co.: peaty margin of a dried-out mill-pond north of Blockhouse.

The only other Canadian records are from New Germany, Lunenburg Co.—J. M. Macoun, Ott. Nat. xv. 77 (1901).

(To be continued.)



NOTES ON THE FLORA OF WESTERN NOVA SCOTIA  
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CUSCUTA GRONOVII Willd. *C. vulgyruga* Engelm. Am. Journ. Sci. xliii. 338 (1842). *C. Gronovii*  $\alpha$  *vulgyruga* Engelm. Trans. Acad. Sci. St. Louis i. 508 (1859); Yunker. Revis. N. A. and W. I. Cuscuta,

65 (1921). LUNENBURG Co.: wet thickets and swales back of brackish shore of Lahave River, Bridgewater; upper border of cobbly beach, Wentzell Lake.

Var. *vulgaris* is the typical form of the species as was clearly indicated by Engelmann in publishing it: "It is Willdenow's original *C. Gronovii*, in his Hb. nro. 3160."

\*\**C. GRONOVII*, var. *LATIFLORA* Engelm. Trans. Acad. Sci. St. Louis, i. 508 (1859); Yuncker, l. c. (1921). *C. Saururi* Engelm. Am. Journ. Sci. xliii. 339 (1842). YARMOUTH Co.: thickets and damp shores, Quinan, Argyle and Belleville. A coastal plain variety recorded by Yuncker as extending from Texas to southern Illinois and New Jersey.

All our material of var. *latiflora* from Nova Scotia has large, depressed-globose or oblate capsules, in maturity 4-5 mm. broad, and unusually large seeds, 2.2-3 mm. long. Its corolla and anthers are exactly those of the southern plant and, although Yuncker in his recently published *Revision of the North American and West Indian Species of Cuscuta* excludes *C. Gronovii* (in his key, p. 47) from the group characterized by "Capsule globose, more or less depressed," and places it (p. 48) in the group with "Capsule globose-ovoid to conic or long-beaked," many of the specimens placed by him under this species have definitely depressed-globose capsules like the plant of western Nova Scotia. Similarly, although Yuncker's description of *C. Gronovii* calls for seeds "about 1.5 mm. long," many plants which he has identified have seeds up to 2.3 mm. long. The old corollas of *C. Gronovii* and var. *latiflora* sometimes crown the capsule. In such cases there is great difficulty in distinguishing the plants with depressed-globose capsules from *C. Cephalanthi* Engelm. In the latter species, however, the anthers are smaller and more rounded than in *C. Gronovii*.

*MERTENSIA MARITIMA* (L.) S. F. Gray, forma *ALBIFLORA* Fernald, RHODORA, xxiii. 288 (1922). Rocky barrier beach, Markland (Cape Forchu), and very abundant and uniform on the barrier beach at East Jordan.

*TEUCRIUM CANADENSE* L., var. *LITTORALE* (Bicknell) Fernald. SHELBURNE Co.: crest of barrier beach, East Jordan.

\*\**Solanum Dulcamara* L., var. *villosissimum* Desv. Pl. Angers, 112 (1818).  $\beta$ . *tomentosum* Koch, Syn. 507 (1838).  $\gamma$ . *marinum* Bab. Man. 210 (1843). *S. littorale* Raab in Flora, ii. 414 (1819).—Much of the material collected in western Nova Scotia, at various stations especially near the coast of Yarmouth, Shelburne and Annapolis Cos., belongs to the variety with velvety or densely pilose foliage.

We have it from various stations in Newfoundland, Quebec, and Massachusetts.

*GRATIOLA AUREA* Pursh. Common eastward to Annapolis and Lunenburg Cos.

*Veronica agrestis* L. Waste ground, Dartmouth.

*AGALINIS NEOSCOTICA* (Greene) Fernald, RHODORA, xxiii. 139 (1921). Many additional stations including some in Shelburne Co.

\*\**A. MARITIMA* Raf. *Gerardia maritima* Raf. YARMOUTH Co.: very abundant on the salt marsh along Argyle River, Argyle Head. Heretofore unknown east of York Co., Maine.

*UTRICULARIA GEMINISCAPA* Benj. Additional stations in Shelburne, Lunenburg and Halifax Cos.

*U. MINOR* L. Additional stations in Digby Co.

*U. GIBBA* L. Additional stations, in YARMOUTH Co.: forming a filmy turf in quagmire-margin of Sloane Lake, Carleton. LUNENBURG Co.: forming compact mats in shallow pools at outlet of Hebb's Lake, Bridgewater; peaty quagmire-margin of Frank Lake and of a near-by small pond, Upper Cornwall.

*U. PURPUREA* Walt. Frequent or common eastward to Hants Co.

*U. CORNUTA* Michx. A colony in exposed peat and sand by Rhodeniser Lake, Lunenburg Co., is noteworthy on account of its forking stems—with 2 or 3 long branches.

\*\**CONOPHOLIS AMERICANA* (L. f.) Wallr. LUNENBURG Co.: dry pine and oak woods on steep slopes along Lahave River, Bridgewater; locally abundant, many stems springing from deep-seated thick bases attached to oak-roots. Freshly bruised plant with a strong odor of eider.

*LITTORELLA AMERICANA* Fernald. On the shores of Shubenacadie Grand Lake *Littorella* did not flower in 1920, owing to the high water; but in 1921 it formed freely flowering carpets stranded on the sandy and shingly beach.

*Plantago lanceolata* L. There are two well defined varieties of *Plantago lanceolata* naturalized in America and a second species which has been confused with them. The varieties are distinguished as follows.

Spike at beginning of anthesis narrowly ovoid-conic, tapering to apex; in fruit cylindric and obtuse, 1.5–8 cm. long; leaf-blades 0.5–2.3 dm. long, 0.6–4 cm. broad: scapes up to 8 dm. tall.....*P. lanceolata* (typical).

Spike at beginning of anthesis subglobose, rounded to apex; in fruit subglobose to cylindric and obtuse, 0.5–2.3 cm. long; leaf-blades 0.2–1.2 dm. long, 0.3–2 cm. broad: scapes 0.3–4.5 dm. tall.

Upper leaf-surfaces green, glabrous or sparsely pubescent.

Var. *sphaerostachya*.

Upper leaf-surfaces gray with abundant long hairs.

Var. *sphaerostachya*, forma *eriophora*.

*P. lanceolata* L. (typical). Generally naturalized from Newfoundland to British Colombia and southward. A locally abundant variant

has the spike branching sometimes with a few, more often with many short and densely crowded branches.

\*\*Var. *sphaerostachya* Mert. & Koch in Roehling, *Deutschl. Fl.* i. 803 (1823). *γ. pumila* Koch, *Syn.* 597 (1837). *β. capitellata* Schultz, *Fl. Pfalz*, 380 (1846). *δ. capitata* Dene. in A. DC. *Prodr.* xiii. pt. 1: 715 (1852). *P. microcephala* Royle acc. to Barneoud, *Mon. Plant.* 29 (1845), not Poir. *P. sphaerostachya* (Mert. & Koch) Kern. *Schedae ad Fl. exsicc. Austro-Hung.* iv. 71 (1886), not Hegetschw. *Fl. Schweiz*, 116 (1840).—Fields and roadsides, Newfoundland; Nova Scotia; southern New England; California to British Columbia.

\*\*Var. *sphaerostachya*, forma *eriophora* (Hoffmansegg & Link) Beck von Man. *Fl. Nied.-Oesterr.* ii. 1093 (1893). *P. eriophora* Hoffmansegg & Link, *Fl. Port.* i. 423 (1809). *P. hungarica* Waldst. & Kit. *Pl. Rar. Hung.* iii. 225, t. 203 (1812). *P. lanata* Host. *Fl. Austr.* i. 210 (1827). *P. lanccolata* *δ. lanuginosa* Koch, *Syn.* 597 (1837).—Nova Scotia; southern New England; Oregon.

A closely related species, *P. altissima* L. *Sp. ed.* 2, i. 164 (1762); Kern, *Ost. Bot. Zeit.* xxv. 59 (1875); Beck von Man. *Fl. Nied.-Oesterr.* ii. 1093 (1893), was collected by the late H. S. Clark somewhere on the "Connecticut coast" in 1899. The label gives no further information but is sufficient indication that the plant is to be watched for. *P. altissima* is a stouter plant than *P. lanccolata*, with heavy, creeping root, large leaves (up to 4 dm. long and 4 cm. broad) glabrous upon both surfaces; stout scapes 0.6–1. m high; and flowers 6–7 mm. broad (in *P. lanccolata* mostly under 5 mm.).

\**CEPHALANTHUS OCCIDENTALIS* L. SHELburnE Co.: rocky shore of Deception Lake; among granite boulders by Lake John; at both stations scarce and local. Mr. R. H. Wetmore informs me that he has found *Cephalanthus* on Cameron Lake (head of Medway River), Queens Co.

*VIBURNUM ALNIFOLIUM* Marsh. Rare in YARMOUTH Co.: thickets and mixed woods near Lake George. Becoming frequent in Digby Co. Thence eastward through the northern and central region at least to Halifax Co.

*SOLIDAGO LATIFOLIA* L. LUNENBURG Co.: shaded ledges by Lahave River above Bridgewater

*SOLIDAGO BICOLOR* L. SHELburnE Co.: from Shelburne eastward,

\**S. UNILIGULATA* (DC.) Porter, var. *NEGLECTA* (T. & G.) Fernald, *RHODORA*, xxiii. 292 (1922). The plants in a spruce swamp at Markland (Cape Forchu), Yarmouth Co., are thoroughly characteristic of the variety which, in extreme development, we have not had from east of southern Maine.

*S. ELLIOTTI* × *RUGOSA*. One colony, apparently of this origin, on a gravelly bank south of Belleville, Yarmouth Co.

*S. CANADENSIS* × *UNILIGULATA*. One clump, apparently of this origin, in a thicket near Five-River (Morris), Lake Shelburne Co.

*S. SEROTINA* Ait., var. *GIGANTEA* (Ait.) Gray. Various stations from Yarmouth Co. to Lunenburg Co.

*SOLIDAGO TENUIFOLIA* Pursh. Many additional stations from Yarmouth and Digby Cos. to Halifax Co.

\**ASTER UNDULATUS* L. LUNENBURG Co.: frequent in dry thickets and borders of woods about Bridgewater and northward at least to Wentzell Lake.

\**ASTER LINDLEYANUS* T. & G. HANTS Co.: border of old hillside woods, Mt. Uniacke.

\**ANTENNARIA PARLINII* Fernald. LUNENBURG Co.: abundant at the border of dry pine and oak woods on steep slopes along Lahave River, Bridgewater.

\*\**ANAPHALIS MARGARITACEA* (L.) B. & H., forma **anochlora**, n. f., foliis linearilanceolatis supra viridibus glabris sub inflorescentia valde reductis.

Leaves linear-lanceolate, green and glabrous above, much reduced below the inflorescence.—Occasional throughout the range of the typical form. TYPE: dry clearings and burns near Five-River (Morris) Lake, Shelburne Co., Nova Scotia, September 10, 1921, Fernald & Long, no. 24,670, in Gray Herb.

Forma *anochlora*, on account of its bright green upper leaf-surfaces, is often sent out as var. *occidentalis* Greene. That variety, of more boreal range than the slender-leaved *A. margaritacea* and forma *anochlora*, has the leaves of more oblong tendency and scarcely reduced in size below the inflorescence. For discussion of it see RHODORA, xiii. 25-37 (1911).

*Ambrosia trifida* L. Waste ground, Dartmouth.

\*\**RUDBECKIA LACINIATA* L., var. **gaspereauensis**, n. var., foliis subtus et petiolis et rhachibus pilosis.

Lower surfaces of leaves, petioles and rhachises pilose.—NOVA SCOTIA: alluvial soil in thickets close to shore or on the strand of streams and brooks of the Gaspereau River system, Kings County. The type material collected at the border of an alder thicket by Black River (tributary to the Gaspereau), August 31, 1921, by Prof. H. G. Perry (TYPE in Gray Herb.).

This indigenous and isolated Nova Scotian variety differs from the continental plant in the development of long pubescence, typical *R. laciniata* being glabrous or merely scabrous.

*COREOPSIS ROSEA* Nutt. Additional stations, all in YARMOUTH Co.: Salmon (Greenville) Lake; Goven, St. John (Wilson) and Gilfilling Lakes.

**BIDENS CERNUA IN EASTERN AMERICA.** *Bidens cernua* L. is a highly variable species with several well defined varieties in north-eastern America. It belongs to a group of three species with simple leaves and achenes with a convex cartilaginous summit. These three species may be distinguished as follows.

- Mature disk (except in depauperate extremes) 1.3-2.8 cm. broad; fruiting heads often nodding; outer involucre reflexed, spreading or merely subascending; disk-corollas 4-5 mm. long, 5-toothed; anthers exserted, purple-black; achenes not conspicuously striate between the margins and midribs or keels; the central 1.8-2.5 mm. broad.
- Achenes straight and flat, not winged nor strongly keeled, deep-brown or purplish; the outer 6-8 mm. long, with marginal awns 2.8-4.5 mm. long; the central 8-9.5 mm. long, with marginal awns 3.5-5 mm. long; stem firm and usually smooth; its rooting base up to 6 dm. long; outer involucre rarely longer than the inner: chaff reddish-tipped; rays 1.5-3 cm. long.....*B. laevis*.
- Achenes curved, with almost wing-like pale margins and keels, olivaceous; the outer 3.3-6.3 mm. long, with marginal awns 2-2.8 mm. long; the central 4.2-7.8 mm. long, with marginal awns 2.6-4 mm. long; stem soft and usually somewhat hispid; its rooting base rarely 1 dm. long; outer involucre mostly longer than the inner: chaff yellow-tipped; rays wanting or at most 1.7 cm. long.....*B. cernua*.
- Mature disk rarely 1.5 cm. broad; fruiting heads erect; outer involucre ascending; disk-corollas 3.5-4 mm. long, 4-toothed; anthers included, pale; achenes distinctly 7-15-striate on each face; the central 1.4-1.9 mm. broad, flat, olive-brown or drab.....*B. hyperborea*.

*Bidens laevis* is not specially variable with us; the variations of *B. hyperborea* have recently been discussed;<sup>1</sup> and to round out the treatment of this group the northeastern varieties of *B. cernua* are here considered. Our variations of this species are as follows.

- Stems stoutish, 0.25-1 cm. in diameter at base, commonly branching, 0.5-1.8 m. high; leaves sessile or at most narrowed at base, thickish, 0.2-2 dm. long; heads commonly numerous, broadly hemispherical, many-flowered; the primary ones with disks 1-2.7 cm. broad, nodding in fruit: outer involucre of 5-10 bracts; inner of about 8 bracts 6-12 mm. long.
- Leaves tapering to long acuminate-attenuate tips; the primary with 4-24 pairs of sharp serrations; bracts of outer involucre linear to lanceolate, acute or acutish.
- Leaves with broad connate or subconnate bases, scarcely narrowed below the middle.
- Leaves linear to oblanceolate, with 4-13 pairs of coarse teeth 1-5 mm. high.....*B. cernua* (typical).

<sup>1</sup> RHODORA, XX. 146-150 (1918).



- Leaves linear- to lance-oblong, with 12-24 pairs of fine teeth scarcely 1 mm. high.....Var. *integra*.  
 Leaves conspicuously narrowed at base, elliptic-lanceolate.....Var. *elliptica*.  
 Leaves mostly blunt or round-tipped; the primary ones entire or with 1-6 pairs of remote teeth: bracts of outer involucre oblong to spatulate, with obtuse or rounded tips.....Var. *oligodonta*.  
 Stem capillary, simple or only slightly forking, 0.2-2 dm. high: leaves petioled, oblanceolate or spatulate, thin, 0.4-2.5 (rarely -4) cm. long: heads solitary or very few, campanulate, few-flowered, with disks 1.5-10 mm. broad, scarcely nodding in fruit: outer involucre of 2-6 bracts; inner involucre of 3-6 bracts 2-7 mm. long.....Var. *minima*.

*B. CERNUA* (typical). Sloughs, springs, pools and wet shores, extending northeastward to Chicoutimi, Rimouski and Bonaventure Cos., QUEBEC, MAGDALEN ISLANDS and Cape Breton, NOVA SCOTIA; Eurasia.

In Nova Scotia unknown from west of Annapolis and Lunenburg Cos.

\*\*Var. *INTEGRA* Wiegand, Bull. Torr. Bot. Cl. xxvi. 418 (1899).—PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND; Cape Cod, MASSACHUSETTS; Illinois to western North Carolina, Oklahoma and South Dakota.

Var. *ELLIPTICA* Wiegand l. c. 417 (1899). *B. elliptica* (Wiegand) Gleason, Ohio Nat. v. 317 (1905).—Extending northeastward to the Ottawa Valley, ONTARIO and QUEBEC, and PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Var. *OLIGODONTA* Fernald & St. John, RHODORA, xvii. 25 (1915).—Brackish or saline shores, MAGDALEN ISLANDS, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND and MASSACHUSETTS locally inland to western NEW YORK.

\*\*Var. *MINIMA* (Huds.) DC. Prodr. v. 595 (1836). *B. minima* Huds. Fl. Angl. 310 (1762).—Bogs and shallow pools, MAGDALEN ISLANDS to southern NEW HAMPSHIRE and western NEW YORK and northwestward; Europe.

Our only Nova Scotian collection is from LUNEBURG Co.: boggy margins of shallow pools, out'et of Hebb's Lake, Bridgewater

\**B. CONNATA* Muhl.; Fernald, RHODORA, x. 200 (1908). LUNEBURG Co.: wet thickets and swales back of brackish shore of Lahave River, Bridgewater first station east of southern Maine. Earlier records belong to var. *petiolata* (Nutt.) Farwell.

*B. FRONDOSA* L., var. *ANOMALA* Porter. YARMOUTH Co.: in *Zostera* litter, gravelly sea-beach, Yarmouth Bar; margin of thicket bordering cobbly beach of Parr Lake; the latter station unusual in being on a fresh-water lake, the variety usually occurring in brackish habitats.

\**MEGALODONTA BECKII* (Torr.) Greene. *Bidens Beckii* Torr. DIGBY Co.: deadwater of Rocky Brook north of Hasset; first station east of the Penobscot.

*Chrysanthemum Leucanthemum* L. The typical form of the species is apparently common at Annapolis Royal and Granville, and pre-

sumably in Annapolis Co.; the common plant generally throughout the province being var. PINNATIFIDA Lecoq. & Lamotte.

\**Artemisia Pontica* L. Waste ground, Dartmouth.

PETASITES PALMATUS (Ait.) Gray. Very rare in the western counties. Seen by us only at one station in YARMOUTH Co.: sphagnous thicket, Belleville.

SENECIO AUREUS L. Very rare in the western counties; seen by us only at one station in YARMOUTH Co.: sphagnous thicket, Belleville.

LACTUCA HIRSUTA Muhl. Widely dispersed but nowhere abundant in Yarmouth and Shelburne Cos.

PRENANTHES NANA (Bigel.) Torr. YARMOUTH Co.: turf crests and slopes of exposed headlands, Markland (Cape Forchu).

HIERACIUM PANICULATUM L. Occasional from Yarmouth Co. eastward at least to Annapolis and Lunenburg Cos.

\*\**H. paniculatum*  $\times$  *scabrum*. A large colony exactly combining the characters of *H. paniculatum* and *H. scabrum* and more abundant than either of them, in dry pine and oak woods on steep slopes along Lahave River, Bridgewater, Lunenburg Co.











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